



MS PETITION
Docket No.: 0369-0208P
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Shinichirou KASHIWAGI et al.

Application No.: 10/084,187

Confirmation No.: 006251

Filed: February 28, 2002

Art Unit: 3682

For: BEARING DEVICE

Examiner: L. Footland

PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT
SINCE ISSUE FEE WAS TIMELY PAID

MS Petition
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 10, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed March 20, 2006, which issued in connection with the above-identified application, this is a Petition to withdraw the "abandonment status" of the present application, since the Issue Fee was timely paid on July 6, 2005.

1. EVIDENCE

As evidence of the fact that the Issue Fee was timely paid, enclosed herewith are the following:

- a copy of the ISSUE FEE Transmittal filed July 6, 2005; and
- a copy of the postcard receipt which was date-stamped on July 6, 2005.

Prior to the payment of the issue fee, a Letter Requesting Initialed PTO 1449 Form was filed in the Patent Office on May 3, 2005. The issue fee was then paid on July 6, 2005. The requested initialed PTO 1449 Form was subsequently forwarded to the undersigned. However, the initialed form was mailed from the USPTO together with a corrected Notice of Allowance dated July 29, 2005. Since the Issue Fee had been paid on July 6, 2005, this form was disregarded as improper. The present abandonment may have occurred because of the issuance of the second notice of allowance.

Since the Issue Fee was timely paid in this application on July 6, 2005, it is requested that the abandonment status of the present application be immediately removed so that the patent may issue as soon as possible.

If the U.S. Patent Examiner has any questions regarding the above matters, please contact Applicants' representative, James M. Slattery, at the phone number listed below.

It is submitted that no fees are required for filing this Petition, since the error occurred because of a mistake on the part of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated: April 10, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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TITLE OF INVENTION: BEARING DEVICE

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5. Change in Entity Status (from status indicated above)

a. Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

b. Applicant is no longer claiming SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27(b)(2).

The Director of the USPTO is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or to re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above. NOTE: The Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if required) will not be accepted from anyone other than the applicant; a registered attorney or agent; or the assignee or other party in interest as shown by the records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Authorized Signature James M. Slattery

Date July 6, 2005

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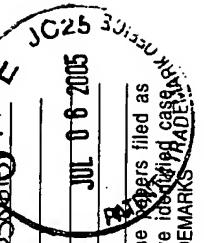


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